



January 16, 2020

Hon. Ruth Ann Abrams, Acting Secretary  
Postal Regulatory Commission  
901 New York Avenue NW, Suite 200  
Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

**RE: Notice of Competitive Post Office Box Service Fees  
(Docket No. CP2020-5)**

Dear Ms. Abrams:

On November 15, 2019, the Commission approved certain changes to the prices of general applicability for competitive products.<sup>1</sup> The Postal Service proposed, and the Commission approved, an overall 10.4 percent increase in prices for Competitive Post Office Box (P.O. Box) service.<sup>2</sup> In order to avoid providing early notice to its competitors of the changes for each fee group that were proposed to go into effect several months later, the Postal Service did not include as part of its initial filing in Docket No. CP2020-5 the exact prices that would be implemented on January 26, 2020 for each Competitive P.O. Box fee group and box size. This approach was consistent with the practice that has been followed by the Postal Service and the Commission for the past several years.<sup>3</sup>

On January 2 and 16, 2020, the Postal Service provided notice in the Postal Bulletin of the Competitive P.O. Box prices going into effect on January 26, 2020 (January 2 for the 6-month fees, and January 16 for the 3-month fees). Consistent with its practice in past competitive price change dockets, the Postal Service now provides notice in this docket of the specific fees going into effect on January 26 for Competitive P.O. Box service. These fees are within the price ranges established in Docket No. CP2016-9,<sup>4</sup> as reflected in Section 2640.4 of the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS). The tables below show the exact prices by fee group and box

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<sup>1</sup> See Order No. 5308, Order Approving Price Adjustments for Competitive Products, Docket No. CP2020-5 (Nov. 15, 2019).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 3.

<sup>3</sup> See, e.g., Docket No. CP2013-3, Responses of the United States Postal Service to Chairman's Information Request No. 1, Question 4 (Oct. 24, 2012).

<sup>4</sup> See Order No. 2814, Order Approving Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products, Docket No. CP2016-9, Attachment at 187 (Nov. 13, 2015).

size, and also include a column showing the MCS price range to which each fee corresponds.

Competitive P.O. Box Service fees, effective January 26, 2020, are as follows:

**Fees - 6 Month Prices (\$)**

| MCS Price<br>Range | Fee<br>Group | Box Size |        |        |        |        |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                    |              | 1        | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      |
| C1                 | C30          | 75.00    | 150.00 | 250.00 | 400.00 | 625.00 |
| C1                 | C31          | 75.00    | 108.00 | 183.00 | 249.00 | 380.00 |
| C2                 | C32          | 67.00    | 95.00  | 163.00 | 226.00 | 338.00 |
| C3                 | C33          | 59.00    | 84.00  | 144.00 | 205.00 | 298.00 |
| C4                 | C34          | 53.00    | 74.00  | 127.00 | 182.00 | 266.00 |
| C5                 | C35          | 46.00    | 65.00  | 113.00 | 159.00 | 234.00 |
| C6                 | C36          | 40.00    | 57.00  | 98.00  | 137.00 | 205.00 |
| C7                 | C37          | 35.00    | 49.00  | 85.00  | 120.00 | 176.00 |
| C1                 | C38          | 75.00    | 108.00 | 183.00 | 249.00 | 380.00 |
| C2                 | C39          | 67.00    | 95.00  | 163.00 | 226.00 | 338.00 |
| C3                 | C40          | 59.00    | 84.00  | 144.00 | 205.00 | 298.00 |
| C4                 | C41          | 53.00    | 74.00  | 127.00 | 182.00 | 266.00 |
| C5                 | C42          | 46.00    | 65.00  | 113.00 | 159.00 | 234.00 |
| C6                 | C43          | 40.00    | 57.00  | 98.00  | 137.00 | 205.00 |
| C7                 | C44          | 35.00    | 49.00  | 85.00  | 120.00 | 176.00 |

**Fees - 3 Month Prices (\$)**

| MCS Price<br>Range <sup>5</sup> | USPS Fee<br>Group | Box Size |       |        |        |        |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
|                                 |                   | 1        | 2     | 3      | 4      | 5      |
| C1                              | C30               | 44.00    | 87.00 | 144.00 | 230.00 | 360.00 |
| C1                              | C31               | 43.00    | 62.00 | 105.00 | 143.00 | 219.00 |
| C2                              | C32               | 39.00    | 55.00 | 94.00  | 130.00 | 194.00 |
| C3                              | C33               | 34.00    | 48.00 | 83.00  | 118.00 | 171.00 |
| C4                              | C34               | 30.00    | 43.00 | 73.00  | 105.00 | 153.00 |
| C5                              | C35               | 26.00    | 37.00 | 65.00  | 91.00  | 135.00 |
| C6                              | C36               | 23.00    | 33.00 | 56.00  | 79.00  | 118.00 |
| C7                              | C37               | 20.00    | 28.00 | 49.00  | 69.00  | 101.00 |
|                                 |                   |          |       |        |        |        |
| C1                              | C38               | 43.00    | 62.00 | 105.00 | 143.00 | 219.00 |
| C2                              | C39               | 39.00    | 55.00 | 94.00  | 130.00 | 194.00 |
| C3                              | C40               | 34.00    | 48.00 | 83.00  | 118.00 | 171.00 |
| C4                              | C41               | 30.00    | 43.00 | 73.00  | 105.00 | 153.00 |
| C5                              | C42               | 26.00    | 37.00 | 65.00  | 91.00  | 135.00 |
| C6                              | C43               | 23.00    | 33.00 | 56.00  | 79.00  | 118.00 |
| C7                              | C44               | 20.00    | 28.00 | 49.00  | 69.00  | 101.00 |

Best regards,

/s/

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<sup>5</sup> As noted in the MCS, 3-month fees must fall within the range consisting of one-half the applicable minimum and one-half the applicable maximum in the price table. MCS Section 2640.4, note 2.